IN THE CLAIMS:

	1.	(Original) A recoil starter comprising:
2		a casing having a reel shaft formed on an inside thereof;
3		a rope reel rotatably mounted to said reel shaft and having a recoil rope wound
4	therearound;	
5		a spiral spring for rotationally urging said rope reel in a direction of winding said
6	recoil rope;	
7		a cam rotatably mounted to said reel shaft in a manner to face said rope reel;
8		a rotational member attached to a crankshaft of an engine and provided with a
9	ratchet mechanism which disengageably engages with said cam; and	
10		a damper spring in the form of a coil spring disposed around outer peripheries of
11	bosses which	h are formed on said rope reel and said cam, respectively, said damper spring having
12	opposite ends held respectively on said rope reel and said cam, wherein a rotational force of said	
13	rope reel is transmitted to said cam via a resilience of said damper spring and a rotation of said	
14	cam is then transmitted to said rotational member via said ratchet mechanism to thereby start the	
15	engine, who	

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